

minutes to notify committees to complete their actions and come on the floor.

Mr. LEAHY. If I might complete then, Mr. Chief Justice, out of respect to my friend from Mississippi, and in courtesy to what he said, I will not make that suggestion, knowing that he is going to make a similar suggestion anyway.

Mr. GRAMM. Will the distinguished majority leader yield?

Mr. LOTT. I will be glad to yield.

Mr. GRAMM. Mr. Chief Justice, we are eager to get on with the debate. We have a quorum present. The Senator can make a point of order that a quorum is not present, but it is obvious to the naked eye that a quorum is present.

Mrs. HUTCHISON. Mr. Leader, would you yield?

Mr. LOTT. I will be glad to yield.

Mrs. HUTCHISON. I think it is important, for the record, that it be known there are at least 60 to 70 Members in the Chamber, ready to proceed.

Mr. LOTT. My count is we have about 70 Members here and I'm sure we will have a full complement here momentarily, so we can lock the doors and give a few more Senators a little more time to get here. Would the Senator from Alaska like to speak?

Mr. MURKOWSKI. May I ask for clarification relative to submitting statements in the RECORD and having them printed? What day would they be printed in the RECORD, assuming that we finish Thursday? The Friday RECORD?

Mr. LOTT. The day of the vote, which means it would come out, I guess, the next day. So if we vote on Thursday—if we vote on Friday, then it would be available, I guess, Saturday morning. If we vote Thursday night, it would be available in the RECORD Friday morning.

Mr. MURKOWSKI. I thank the leader.

Mr. LOTT. If the Senators choose.

Mr. Chief Justice, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The CHIEF JUSTICE. Would the leader wish we go into closed session before the quorum call?

Mr. LOTT. Yes, Mr. Chief Justice, and then suggest the absence of a quorum.

The CHIEF JUSTICE. The Senate will now resume closed session for final deliberations on the articles of impeachment.

#### CLOSED SESSION

(At 10:16 a.m., the doors of the Chamber were closed. The proceedings of the Senate were held in closed session until 6:21 p.m., at which time the following occurred.)

#### OPEN SESSION

Mr. LOTT. Mr. Chief Justice, I now ask unanimous consent that the Senate return to open session.

The CHIEF JUSTICE. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1999

Mr. LOTT. Mr. Chief Justice, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand in adjournment until 10 a.m. on Thursday, February 11. I further ask that upon reconvening on Thursday and immediately following the prayer, the majority leader be recognized to make a brief statement with respect to the Senate schedule. I further ask unanimous consent that following the majority leader's comments, the Senate resume final deliberations in closed session on the articles of impeachment.

The CHIEF JUSTICE. In the absence of objection, it is so ordered.

#### PROGRAM

Mr. LOTT. We will reconvene tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, and we hope to be able to finish tomorrow afternoon, Mr. Chief Justice, but we have to make a lot better progress than we did today.

#### ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. LOTT. If there is no further business, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate adjourn under the previous order.

There being no objection, at 6:21 p.m. the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, adjourned until Thursday, February 11, 1999, at 10 a.m.

(Pursuant to an order of January 26, 1999, the following was submitted at the desk during today's session:)

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Thomas, one of his secretaries.

#### EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceeding.)

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-1701. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Dewey Point, at the convergence of Greens Creek and Smith Creek near Oriental, North Carolina" (Docket 05-98-054) received on February 5, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1702. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zone; Chesapeake Bay, Hampton Roads, Norfolk Harbor Reach and Vicinity" (Docket 05-98-068) received on February 5, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1703. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zone; Chesapeake Bay, Hampton Roads, Elizabeth River, VA" (Docket 05-98-070) received on February 5, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1704. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Eastern Branch Elizabeth River, Labor Day Fireworks Display, Harbor Park, Norfolk, VA" (Docket 05-98-078) received on February 5, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1705. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Eastern Branch Elizabeth River, Labor Day Fireworks Display, Harbor Park, Norfolk, VA" (Docket 05-98-077) received on February 5, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1706. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; All Waters within the Captain of the Port Wilmington Zone as Defined by 33 CFR 3.25-20" (Docket 05-98-079) received on February 5, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1707. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Neptune Festival Fireworks Display, Atlantic Ocean, Virginia Beach, VA" (Docket 05-98-087) received on February 5, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1708. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Lake Muskegon, Muskegon, Michigan" (Docket 09-98-017) received on February 5, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1709. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Lake Michigan" (Docket 09-98-020) received on February 5, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1710. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Lake Michigan, Muskegon, Michigan" (Docket 09-98-026) received on February 5, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1711. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Lake Michigan, North Beach, Michigan" (Docket 09-98-027) received on February 5, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1712. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Lake Michigan, Muskegon, Michigan" (Docket 09-98-027) received on February 5, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1713. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Lake Michigan, Muskegon, Michigan" (Docket 09-98-027) received on February 5, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.